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Chief Executive Officer

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METROLINK VICTIMS RELIEF FUND AND BLOOD DRIVE

On September 16, 2008, Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich requested that the Chief Executive Office work with Metrolink and other entities to develop a method for County employees to help victims and their families affected by the recent tragic Metrolink train crash in Simi Valley. The September 12, 2008 accident resulted in 25 fatalities and more than 100 injuries to passengers and crew.

My Office has been in contact with Metrolink representatives, City officials in Moorpark and Simi Valley, and the County of Ventura. The Simi Valley Community Foundation, an IRS designated 501 (c) (3) is accepting monetary donations to help the families of victims. Metrolink, through a partnership with the San Fernando Valley Community Foundation, has established a Train Collision Assistance Fund.

In addition, the Ventura County Chapter of the American Red Cross is conducting a blood drive for the many injured passengers, who remain hospitalized.

County employees who wish to voluntarily provide financial assistance or donate blood may contact the Simi Valley Community Foundation, the San Fernando Valley Community Foundation or the American Red Cross, Ventura County Chapter. By copy of this memorandum, we are distributing the attached flyer to all departments for posting on all bulletin boards and other displays accessible to employees.

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If you need additional information, please call me, or staff may contact Victoria Pipkin-Lane or Craig Hirakawa, Office of Workplace Programs, at (213) 974-2495 or (213) 974-1347, respectively, or via e-mail at vpipkin@ceo.lacounty.gov or chirakawa@ceo.lacounty.gov.

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c: All Departments



You C Help!!!

The Metrolink tragedy has impacted many families in Los Angeles County. Please join the County Board of Supervisors to help victims and families.

Metrolink Victims Relief Fund:

Simi Valley Community Foundation:

(805) 526-3900

Metrolink Benefit Fund 40 W. Cochran #100 Simi Valley, CA 93065 Attention: Maggie Urpin

(checks made payable to "Simi Valley Community Foundation")

Train Collision Assistance Fund:

San Fernando Valley Community Foundation: (213) 452-0457

5121 Van Nuys Blvd., Suite 200 Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

www.metrolinktrainscom

(checks made payable to San Fernando Valley Community Foundation-Train Collision Assistance Fund)

Donate Blood:

American Red Cross, Ventura County Chapter www.arcventura.org

(805) 339-2234

For more information on how you can help, contact the Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce at (805) 526-3900 or e-mail to info@simichamber.org